

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet 3 of drawings appended to the Preliminary Amendment includes changes to FIG. 9. This sheet, which includes FIGS. 7-9, replaces the original sheet 3 including FIGS. 7-9.

The revised FIG. 9 has been edited from the as-filed form for correcting the power ("pwr") connection of the RFID tag or chip 202 to the composite device 10, for consistency with the as-filed Specification. In particular, the "pwr" connection to the RFID tag 202 is now shown coupled to the "common conductor 20", consistent with the as-filed Specification which states: "Power input to the chip is connected to the common conductor 20." See p. 15, lines 10-11.

In addition, FIG. 9 has been edited to change existing reference numeral "20" to numeral "12", thereby correctly referring to the diode component 12 illustrated therein. A new reference numeral "20" and associated lead line have been added for correct reference to the "common conductor 20" which is shared by the "diode component 12" and the "capacitor component 14", and which is also connected to the "pwr" input to the RFID tag or chip 202.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted concurrently with applicants' request under 37 CFR 1.53(c)(3), to convert U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/484,606, filed July 1, 2003, to a nonprovisional application.

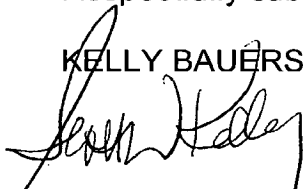
By this Preliminary Amendment, applicants have implemented a number of minor editorial corrections to the Specification as originally filed. No new matter has been included by such corrections.

In addition, by this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-41 have been added.

Finally, by this Preliminary Amendment, FIG. 9 appearing on sheet 3 of the as-filed drawings has been corrected (see p. 12 herein for explanatory details). A substitute sheet 3 of the drawings, bearing FIG. 7, FIG. 8, and amended FIG. 9 is appended hereto.

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